

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A shaving apparatus comprising first and second ~~cooperating~~ ~~cutting~~-members that are movable relative to each other, the first ~~cooperating~~-cutting member having a first ~~cutting~~-tooth and the second ~~cooperating~~-cutting-member having a second ~~cutting~~-tooth, edges of the first and second ~~cutting~~-teeth cooperate and wherein a cutting opening is present between the cooperating edges of the first and second ~~cutting~~ teeth, said cutting opening diverging when seen in a shaving direction of the apparatus, wherein a space remains between at least a portion of the cooperating edges such that the cutting opening is not entirely closed during any time of operation of the shaving apparatus, wherein a ~~the~~ cooperating edge of the first ~~cutting~~-tooth is provided with a sloped cutting edge that thins towards the cooperating edge of the first ~~cutting~~-tooth, and wherein a ~~the~~ cooperating edge of the second ~~cutting~~-tooth in a portion of the second ~~cutting~~-tooth that is not overlapped by the first ~~cutting~~-tooth during operation forms an abutment having a first width, the second ~~cutting~~-tooth having a second width in a portion of the second ~~cutting~~ tooth that is overlapped by the first ~~cutting~~-tooth during operation, the second width is narrower than the first width.

2. (Currently amended) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first and second teeth of the first and second cooperating cutting members each comprise each one of a row of substantially V-shaped cutting teeth, wherein each pair of cooperating edges enclose a shearing angle.

3. (Previously presented) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 2, wherein an edge of each pair of the cooperating edges is provided with a sloped cutting edge.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Currently amended) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cooperating edge of the first ~~cutting~~-tooth is provided with the sloped cutting edge over an entire length of the cooperating edge of the first ~~cutting~~-tooth.

6. (Previously presented) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 2, wherein the shearing angle between the cooperating tooth edges is between 5° and 25°.

7. (Currently amended) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 2, wherein the first and second cooperating ~~cutting~~-members perform a reciprocating motion with a stroke S relative to one another, wherein S is in a range for which it holds that $0.01 \text{ nm} < S < \text{to about } 0.15 \text{ mm}$, with a frequency Q that is greater than 100 Hz.

8. (Previously presented) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 7, wherein the stroke S is between 0.05 mm and 0.1 mm and the frequency Q is between 150 Hz and 400 Hz.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently amended) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first and second ~~cutting~~-teeth are substantially a same length.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently amended) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 2, wherein each one of the cooperating ~~cutting~~-teeth are not completely overlapped by an other one of the cooperating ~~cutting~~-teeth during any time of operation of the shaving apparatus.

13-19. (Canceled)

20. (New) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the second width forms a counter-cutting edge for the sloped cutting edge of the first tooth.

21. (New) A shaving apparatus comprising:

a first tooth;

a second tooth, wherein edges of the first and second teeth movably cooperate relative to each other during operation;

a cutting opening present between the cooperating edges of the first and second teeth, the cutting opening diverging when seen in a shaving direction of the apparatus and a space remaining between at least a portion of the cooperating edges such that the cutting opening is not entirely closed at any time during operation;

the cooperating edge of the first tooth includes a sloped cutting edge; and

the cooperating edge of the second tooth in a portion of the second tooth that is not overlapped by the first tooth during operation forms an abutment having a first width, the second tooth having a second width in a portion of the second tooth that is overlapped by the first tooth during operation, wherein the second width is narrower than the first width.

22. (New) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 21, wherein the first and second teeth are each one of a row of substantially V-shaped teeth, wherein each pair of cooperating edges enclose a shearing angle.

23. (New) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 22, wherein the shearing angle between the cooperating tooth edges is between 5° and 25° .

24. (New) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 22, wherein an edge of each pair of the cooperating edges is provided with a sloped cutting edge.

25. (New) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 22, wherein each one of the cooperating teeth are not completely overlapped by an other one of the cooperating teeth any time during operation.
26. (New) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 21, wherein the first and second teeth perform a reciprocating motion with a stroke S relative to one another, wherein S is in a range for which it holds that $0.01 \text{ nm} < S < \text{to about } 0.15 \text{ mm}$, with a frequency Q that is greater than 100 Hz.
27. (New) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 26, wherein the stroke S is between 0.05 mm and 0.1 mm and the frequency Q is between 150 Hz and 400 Hz.
28. (New) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 21, wherein the cooperating edge of the first tooth is provided with the sloped cutting edge over an entire length of the cooperating edge of the first tooth.
29. (New) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 21, wherein the first tooth is a stationary tooth during operation.
30. (New) The shaving apparatus as claimed in claim 21, wherein the second width forms a counter-cutting edge for the sloped cutting edge of the first tooth.